## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

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| STREET & NUMBER   |                            |  |   |                      |
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| CITY, TOWN  |                            |  | CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT                  |                      |
| Centrevi<br>STATE   | lle                        | _ VICINITY OF                              | COUNTY                                  |                      |
| Maryland  |                            |  | Queen Anne                              | e's                  |
| CLASSIFIC   | ATION                      |  |   |                      |
| CATEGORY  | OWNERSHIP                  | STATUS                                     | PRES                                    | ENTUSE               |
| DISTRICT  | X_PUBLIC                   | X_OCCUPIED                                 | AGRICULTURE                             | MUSEUM               |
| X_BUILDING(S)   | PRIVATE                    | UNOCCUPIED                                 | COMMERCIAL                              | PARK                 |
| STRUCTURE<br>SITE   | BOTH                       | WORK IN PROGRESS                           | EDUCATIONAL                             | PRIVATE RESIDE       |
| OBJECT  | PUBLIC ACQUISITION         | ACCESSIBLE YES: RESTRICTED                 | ENTERTAINMENT                           | RELIGIOUS            |
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\_\_FAIR

\_\_DETERIORATED

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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Queen Anne's National Bank, now the Centreville Town Hall, is located on the south side of Lawyers Row, facing the Court House Square.

Constructed in 1903 following the devastating fire of December 1902, the Queen Anne National Bank is a rectangular brick building with a later square brick clock tower on the northeast corner. It is representative of the Beaux Arts style, and makes a handsome companion for the adjoining Centreville National Bank (QA-307), also built in 1903.

The front facade, facing the square, is carefully ordered both vertically and horizontally. The center bay breaks forward approximately five inches and is set off by paired pilasters at each side and a projecting pediment above. The front entrance is centered in this projecting bay. It has an arched opening framed with a finely molded stone architrave that springs from the stone cap mold lintel at the top of the door. The brick pilasters also have dressed stone caps with molded egg-and-dart decoration and rest on molded stone bases above a plain dressed granite foundation.

The single flanking bays are not as wide as

#### CONTINUATION SHEET

#### 7.1 DESCRIPTION

the projecting center bays. There are 1/1 windows in the center of each bay on the main floor and stained glass bullseye windows above each 1/1 window. The first floor windows have projecting molded stone lintels and sills and vertical stone jamb pieces. Carved stone brackets project from the jambs to give visual support to the projecting lintel pieces. The bullseye windows are framed with ornately carved and molded stone surrounds. The stain glass windows include the date "1884" in the east bay and "1903" in the west bay.

Vertical ordering to the facade is accomplished by a heavy granite foundation at the base and a bold three-part cornice across the upper portion of the wall. The cornice includes a relatively simple series of moldings executed in stone immediately above the brick pilasters, a plain brick frieze immediately above, and a much bolder bracketed stone cornice across the top of the facade. A low brick parapet wall stretches across the building above the principal cornice.

The clock tower is located at the east end of the front facade, set flush with the principal plane of the north or front facade and set off by the original corner pilaster of the main building. The tower is similar in design to the bank, with the clock cupola projecting up above the cornice line and

#### CONTINUATION SHEET

#### 7.2 DESCRIPTION

constructed of brick piers with paired half-columns at each corner. The clock is framed with large brackets above arched openings. A large bell is mounted in the center of the cupola.

The brickwork of the tower is laid with yellow-brown Roman brick, in contrast to the darker brown Roman brick of the front facade of the original building. There are single 1/1 windows in the north and south wall of the tower and a large three-part Venetian window set in an arched opening in the east wall of the tower. The windows and cornice of the tower are all dressed with molded stone surrounds. A multi-paned window above the Venetian window allows light into the upper part of the tower.

The east and west walls of the original building are laid with common red brick. The ornate stone cornice turns the front corners and is replaced on the side walls with a simple corbeled brick cornice. There are three large 1/1 windows on the east wall and three large and two small 1/1 windows on the west wall. All of these windows have dressed stone lintels and sills.

The rear facade, facing south, is laid in fivecourse bond with common red brick. There are two large 1/1 windows on the first floor and two small vents in the upper gable flanking a narrow one-light opening

# CONTINUATION SHEET 7.3 DESCRIPTION

in the center. These openings have stone sills and brick jack arch lintels.

The interior has been renovated over the years but remains essentially unchanged in plan. The vault is in the center toward the rear of the building, with flanking doors opening into a large conference room across the rear of the building. A teller's counter near the front is now used for town business and the vault is used for storage of records.

| PERIOD  | AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW                     |   |   |   |  |
|---|---|---|---|---|--|
| PREHISTORIC<br>1400-1499<br>—1500-1599<br>—1600-1699<br>—1700-1799<br>—1800-1899<br>X_1900- | —ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC  —ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC  —AGRICULTURE  —ART | COMMUNITY PLANNING CONSERVATION ECONOMICS EDUCATION ENGINEERING EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT INDUSTRY | LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE LAW LITERATURE MILITARY MUSIC PHILOSOPHY X-POLITICS/GOVERNMENT | RELIGION SCIENCE SCULPTURE SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN THEATER TRANSPORTATION OTHER (SPECIFY) |  |

SPECIFIC DATES 1903

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Queen Anne's National Bank building was constructed in 1903 following a fire that devastated much of the Centreville business district in December 1902. Established in 1884, the bank was originally quartered in a two story brick building immediately to the west of the present building on Lawyers Row. Gutted by the fire, the original bank building was sold and became the office of the Centreville Observer (see QA-309).

The bank purchased two lots next door and built the new, larger building. The Queen Anne's National Bank prospered throughout the next two decades, but failed to survive the Great Depression. In 1931, the Centreville National Bank took control of the building, and in 1936 the lot and building was sold to the Town Commissioners of Centreville. Since that time the old bank has served as the Centreville Town Office.

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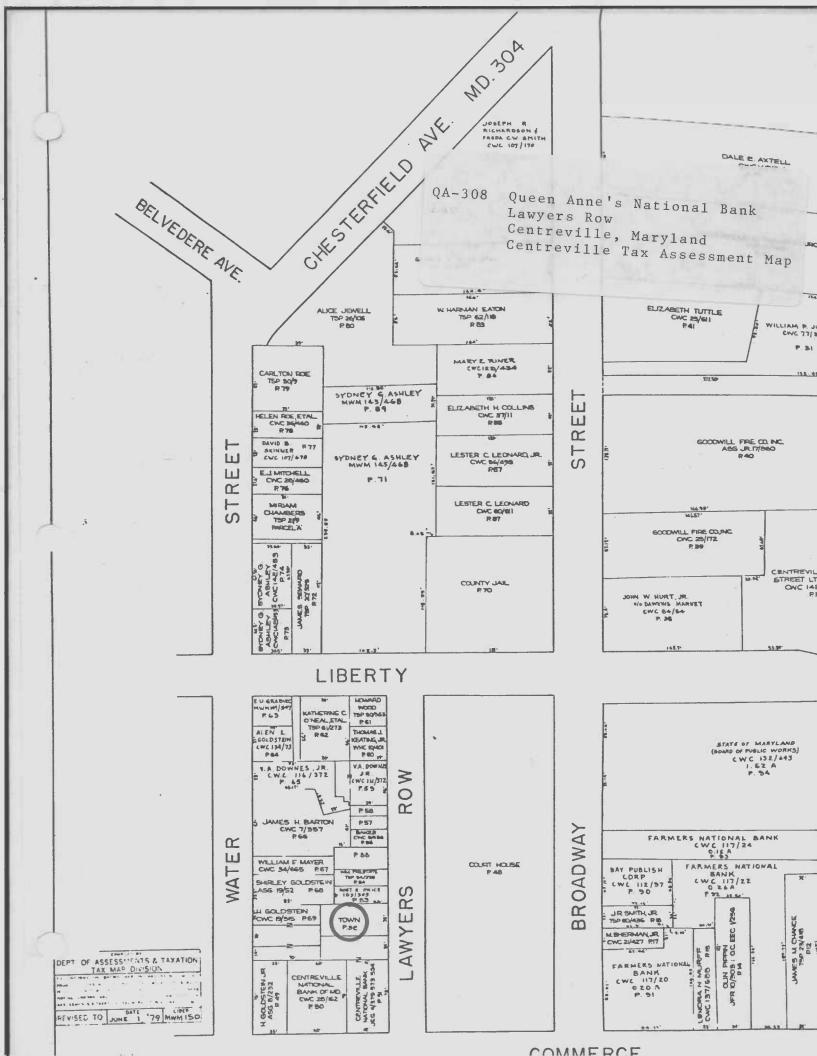
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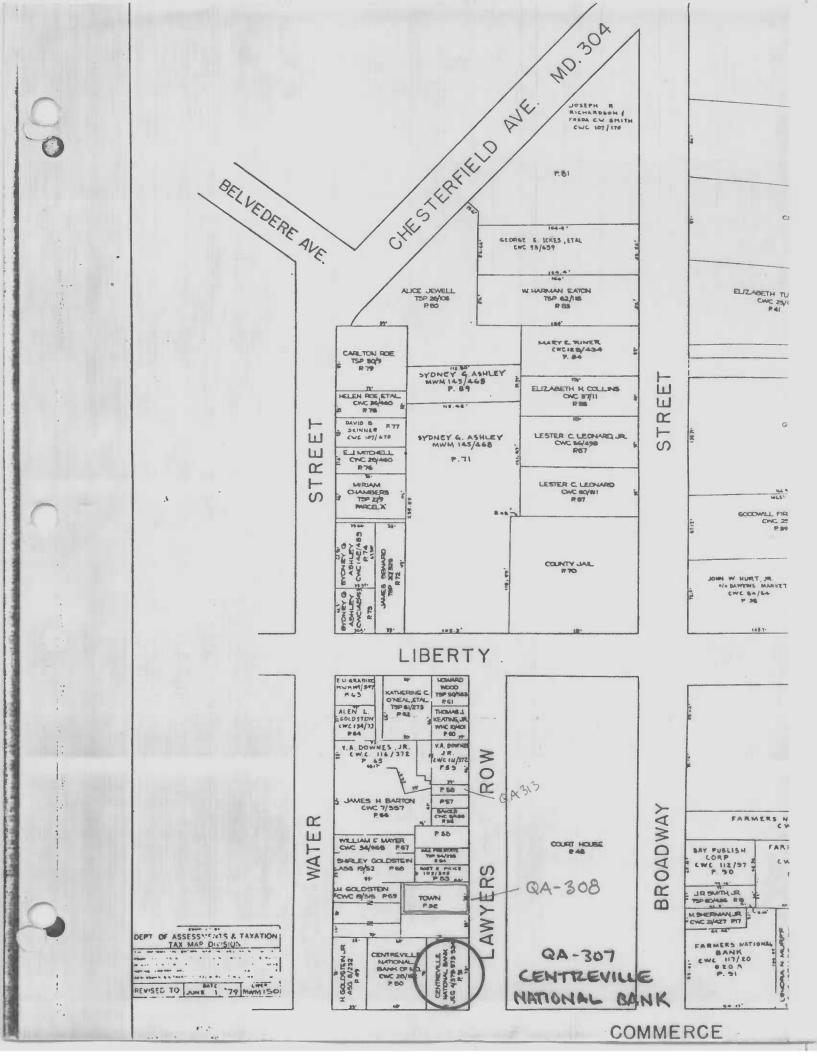
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